

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claims 1, 2, 3, 10, 12, 15, 16, and 17 as follows. Rewritten claims in marked-up form pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121 are attached hereto on a separate sheet.

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1. A computer-based system for truck rentals, comprising:

a server which processes user inputs from a user's computer over a communications network and provides information responsive thereto to the user's computer over the communications network from which a service contract is generated and confirmed, the server comprising:

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a memory in which is stored a plurality of data sets relating to (a) trucks which can be rented and associated rental prices for the trucks, (b) towing accessories that can be rented and towed vehicles with which the towing accessories can be used, (c) towing accessories and associated rental prices for the towing accessories, (d) expertise-based guidance relating to trucks, and (e) expertise-based guidance relating to towing accessories; and

programming responsive to user inputs to access the memory and provide data from respective data sets to a user computer over the communications network.

2. (Rewritten) In a computer-based system for truck rentals which includes a server which processes user inputs from a user's computer over a communications network and provides information responsive thereto to the user's computer over the communication network from which a service contract is generated and confirmed, the improvement comprising a memory in which is stored a data set relating to towing accessories that can be rented and towed vehicles with which the towing accessories can be used, and programming responsive to a user input identifying a vehicle to be towed

which accesses the memory and provides to the user computer over the communications network data indicating availability or not of a towed accessory for the identified vehicle to be towed in accordance with the data set.

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3. (Rewritten) In a computer-based system for vehicle rentals which includes a server which processes user inputs from a user's computer over a communications network and provides information responsive thereto to the user's computer over the communication network from which a service/contract is generated and confirmed, the improvement comprising a memory in which is stored a data set relating to vehicle pick-up and drop-off locations and programming responsive to a user input identifying a geographical location in which the vehicle is to be dropped off which accesses the memory and provides to the user computer over the communications network data indicating at least two locations closest to the geographic location input for pick-up and at least two locations nearest to the geographic location input for drop-off.

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10. (Rewritten) An Internet-based system for aiding users to create and confirm reservations for truck rentals, the system comprising: a web server for providing a plurality of web pages accessible through the Internet and for processing user inputs received through the Internet from a user's computer operating an Internet browser displaying the plurality of web pages, at least one web page having at least one input field for receiving the user inputs; and a backend server operatively connected to the web server and responsive to the user inputs, the backend server having a memory for storing the plurality of web pages, for storing truck-related information in a database, and for storing user-generated reservation information; and at least one program module for processing the user inputs and the truck-related information to determine and display to the user a set of closest locations associated with a departure location and a destination location specified by the user, to access and display directions from a user-specified address to the departure and destination locations, to generate towing guide information corresponding to a user-specified vehicle to be towed by the rented truck, to generate

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and display a quote for the truck rental corresponding to the user inputs, for processing payment information provided by the user, for generating the reservation information from the user inputs, and for confirming the reservation to the user with a confirmation message.

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12. (Rewritten) In an Internet-based system for aiding users to create and confirm reservations for truck rentals which includes a web server for providing a plurality of web pages accessible through the Internet and for processing user inputs received through the Internet from a user's computer operating an Internet browser displaying the plurality of web pages which include at least one input field for receiving the user inputs, the improvement comprising a web page including data fields containing all information necessary for a service contract, the information either provided in response to user input or available from the system, in which all data fields may be modified on the web page by the user without having to revert to another web page.

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15. (Rewritten) In a computer-based system for vehicle rentals which processes user inputs from a user's computer over a communications network and provides information responsive thereto to the user's computer over the communication network from which a service contract is generated and confirmed, the improvement comprising receiving user information which a new user provides as part of the process of requesting a reservation for a vehicle identifying a vehicle pick-up location and a vehicle drop-off location, and providing the user with information identifying at least two locations closest to the vehicle pick-up location and at least two locations nearest to the vehicle drop-off input by the user.

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16. (Rewritten) In an Internet-based method for aiding users to create and confirm reservations for truck rentals comprising providing information to a user which a user uses to select useful truck rental information, receiving the information input by the user and generating a reservation form for the user, the improvement comprising